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REF: (A) LUANDA 0036; (B) STATE 276349

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EXCELLENT REPORT ON ANGOLAN VIEW OF THE LEGAL ACTION ON COFFEE REFTEL A.
2. COMPLAINANTS AND RESPONDENTS CONTINUE PRESENTING EVIDENTIARY MATERIAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION. BOTH HAVE CONTACTED THE DEPARTMENT. THEIR ANALYSIS OF THE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS AND THEIR ASSERTIONS OF COURSE DIFFER.
3. COPIES OF THE SUBMISSIONS ARE BEING POUCHED TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL.

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4. CURRENTLY DEPARTMENT OF STATE INTERESTS ARE TO KEEP

INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE CASES BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION AND THE CIVIL ANTI-TRUST SUIT, TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION IN ITS INVESTIGATION AS NECESSARY, AND TO KEEP ALERT FOR POSSIBLE FOREIGN POLICY IMPLICATIONS. NO REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR ANY DETERMINATION UNDER ACT OF STATE DOCTRINE. IF SUCH A REQUEST IS MADE IT WILL BE

STUDIED BY THE OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ADVISER.

5. RUMORS HAVE CIRCULATED IN THE COFFEE TRADE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF STATE DEPARTMENT INTERVENTION IN THE CASE. THESE RUMORS MAY HAVE ORIGINATED FROM CONSULATE GENERAL INQUIRIES MADE IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL B. WE HAVE INFORMED BOTH PARTIES THAT WE PRESENTLY SEE NO REASON TO INTERVENE IN EITHER PROCEEDING.

6. FYI AMBRIZ 2BB MONTHLY AVERAGE SPOT PRICES (CENTS PER POUND) ON THE NEW YORK MARKET DURING 1974 WERE:

JAN. 55.95	APR. 63.63	JULY 58.58	OCT. 54.73
FEB. 60.38	MAY 64.03	AUG. 55.40	NOV. 55.83
MAR. 62.38	JUNE 62.18	SEPT. 53.78	DEC. 56.23

ON JANUARY 23, 1975 THE SPOT PRICE WAS 53.38 CENTS PER POUND, AND ON JANUARY 30, 1975 IT WAS 53.63 CENTS PER POUND. THE SPOT PRICES OF OTHER ROBUSTA COFFEES TRADED IN NEW YORK HAVE DECLINED IN PARALLEL WITH ANGOLAN COFFEES. COFFEE PRICES FOR BOTH ARABICA AND ROBUSTA VARIETIES HAVE DECLINED SINCE MAY/JUNE 1974. THESE PRICE DECLINES HAVE CREATED SOME UNCERTAINTY AMONG ALL PRODUCERS. END FYI INGERSOLL

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